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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

THE GERMAN-AMERICAN RUPTURE.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S FINAL APPEAL.

NUMBER OF OUTRAGES ALREADY REPORTED.

London, February 3.
A meeting of the Institute of London Underwriters decided not to recommend any change in Marine Insurance rates in consequence of enemy threats, thus indicating confidence in the ability of the Allies to cope with the frightfulness. Nevertheless, the rates quoted by private underwriters have risen, especially for neutrals, while there are big advances in the rates for American cargo vessels.

A Short-lived Campaign?

London, February 3.
French experts express their confidence that the new submarine campaign will be short-lived. They base their theory on the belief that the Germans will commence by sending out all their submarines, but will shortly be compelled to return to the shift system, which course they have hitherto followed.

Germany's Latest Move.

London, February 3.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, the German newspapers publish apparently inspired warnings against exaggerated expectations of submarine frightfulness.

An American Demand.

London, February 3.
Newspaper despatches from New York assert that Mr. Gerard, the American Ambassador in Berlin, has been instructed to demand a withdrawal of all German claims within twenty-four hours.

Guarding the Panama Canal.

London, February 3.
Orders have been sent to Panama to guard the canal against possible attempts to dynamite it.
The Navy Board is working out plans, including the conveying of ships.

Extensive Precautions in America.

London, February 3.
A battalion of militia from Baltimore has arrived in Washington to protect the buildings and monuments. The guards at the munition factories have been doubled.
Battleships of the Atlantic Fleet stationed at Guantanamo have been ordered to be ready for any eventuality.
Eight thousand policemen and special constables are ready for war duty in New York, and machine gun squadrons have been organised.

German Anxiety.

London, February 3.
According to Reuter's correspondent in New York, there is a note of anxiety in the comment of the *Frankfurter Zeitung*, which dwells apprehensively on America's attitude and warns the few men, including the Kaiser, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, Dr. von Helfferich and Herr Zimmermann, who have taken the decision that they are responsible to their own people and to history.

America's Decision Explained.

London, February 3.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, President Wilson, in his speech before Congress, said that Germany's sudden and deliberate withdrawal of the solemn assurances given after the torpedoing of the *Sussex* left no alternative but a diplomatic rupture. Notwithstanding Germany's deeply deplorable action, he (President Wilson) refused to believe that the German authorities would disregard the ancient friendship of the two peoples and destroy American ships and lives. If his inveterate confidence in their sobriety and prudent foresight unhappily proved to be unfounded, then he would ask Congress to take the necessary means to protect Americans in the prosecution of peaceful and legitimate errands on the high seas. He took it for granted that all neutral Governments would take the same course.

President Wilson continued by saying:—"We are the sincere friends of the German people, and earnestly desire to remain at peace with their Government. We shall not believe that they mean to be hostile unless we are obliged to believe it. We purpose a solely reasonable defence of our people's rights to liberty and justice and to unmolested life. These are the bases of peace, not war. God grant that we may not be challenged to defend them by reason of wilful injustice on the part of the German Government."

Drawbacks and Advantages.

London, February 3.
News of the German-American rupture, which Reuter announced in London yesterday afternoon, caused the deepest impression of any event since the outbreak of the war, though little excitement was manifested, as the public has become hardened to sensations.

The thinking section of the population recognises that the new situation has its drawbacks as well as its advantages. As an instance, the Entente prisoners in Germany will be deprived of American assistance and guardianship, while the Belgian relief work will be endangered, confronting a hundred thousand people with starvation.

The opinion is generally expressed that America will inevitably be forced into the war, and there is much speculation as to the part she will play and as to the effect of her decision on the supply of munitions.

The prospect of the German steamers interned in America reinforcing mercantile traffic has strengthened the confidence with which the British public growingly regards the new frightfulness, relying on the official assurance by the naval authorities to deal cheerfully, as cabled yesterday morning.

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THE GERMAN-AMERICAN RUPTURE.

Torpedoing of the Housatonic.

London, February 3.
The American steamer *Housatonic* was torpedoed at noon off the Scillys. The crew was rescued by a British armed steamer.

Neutrals Lose Pasicky.

London, February 4.
There are already indications that neutrals were recovering from their preliminary panic even before they learned of President Wilson's appeal to them to imitate the United States.

Dutch Vessels Take the Risk.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam states that a number of Dutch vessels have asked for and been granted permission to proceed to sea at their own risk.

Swedish Equanimity.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm states that the announcement of the German blockade was received most calmly. There were no signs of panic. On the Stock Exchange on Saturday some shipping shares even rose. The fact that there are large stocks of fuel in Sweden, while the timber trade is normally at a standstill in the winter, contributes to the equanimity.

Can Holland Keep Out?

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, the *Vaderland*, in an editorial, emphasises that Germany alone will have to bear the consequences of her ruthlessness, even though the chances of Holland remaining outside the conflict are daily becoming smaller.

The *Tyd* describes the new frightfulness as an act of despair on the part of Germany, who is recognising her powerlessness to win victory on land.

A Suspicious Incident.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Philadelphia, the torpedo boat *Jacob Jones*, while being towed into dock, began to sink. The crew closed the mancocks and saved her. A member of the crew has been arrested for sabotage.

Austrian Ship Damaged.

London, February 25.
According to Reuter's correspondent at New York, parts of the engine of the Austrian steamer *Himilaya*, in New York Harbour, were smashed with crowbars simultaneously with the announcement of the rupture.

Coastguards have removed the German prize crew from the *Appam* at Newport News.

Belligerents' Interests in Germany.

London, February 2.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, it is announced that British interests in Germany have been transferred to Holland, and Japanese and Serbian interests to Spain.

German Consuls to be Withdrawn.

London, February 4.
It is expected that Germany will withdraw her Consuls in the United States.
The issue of passports to Germany is suspended.

Conveying of American Ships.

London, February 2.
The question of conveying American ships in the war zone is being considered.

German Liner Seized.

London, February 2.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Boston, the United States Marshall has seized the *Kron Prinzessin Cecilie*.

A Deciding Factor.

London, February 2.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington says if it is proved the *Housatonic* was torpedoed without warning, it will be difficult for America to avoid active hostility.

Mr. Roosevelt's Offer.

London, February 4.
A New York message says that Mr. Roosevelt has offered the services of himself and four sons. He promises to raise a division. The American Aero Club has placed its entire resources at the service of the Government.

More Liners Seized.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Panama says the authorities have seized four Hamburg-America liners.

Holland's Difficult Position.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that America's break with Germany has caused great surprise. The uppermost feeling is that, inasmuch as it means decreasing the number of neutral nations, it places Holland in a difficult and most dangerous position.

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THE GERMAN-AMERICAN RUPTURE.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Rio de Janeiro, the Government is convinced the time has come to abandon neutrality if the new German submarine warfare directly injures the vital interests of Brazil.

Auxiliary Cruisers Seized.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Philadelphia, the German auxiliary cruisers *Kron Prinz Wilhelm* and *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, which were interned in the Navy Yards, have been seized by order of the Navy Department, and the crews have been imprisoned in isolation barracks.

Position of Dutch Shipping.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, the Hand-Island Nederland Shipping Company states that vessels bound for Holland from India and America, and also vessels bound for India from Holland, will not sail for the present.

The Foreign Minister is consulting shipowners regarding the vessels on route.

Housatonic's Crew Ample Warned.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, the State Department has received a despatch from the American Consul at Plymouth to the effect that the *Housatonic* was fully warned and the crew given an opportunity to reach a place of safety before the vessel was sunk.

America Breaks with Austria-Hungary.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the United States has broken off diplomatic relations with Austria-Hungary.

German Merchantmen Not to be Seized.

London, February 5.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, it is stated that the Government at present has no intention of seizing German merchantmen laid up in the ports, which would be an act of war.

It is explained that the *Kron Prinz Wilhelm*, the *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, the *Appam* and the *Kron Prinzessin Cecilie* were already in the custody of the United States, and that the action of the Panama authorities in taking charge of four Hamburg-America liners was a temporary measure to prevent the crews from blowing up the vessels and endangering the Canal.

U. S. Ambassadors' Return.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the American Ambassadors to Berlin and Vienna will embark at Barcelona aboard a Spanish liner for New York, journeying by way of Cuba.

Spanish Protest Pending.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Madrid says it is reliably reported that a Reply is being published to-morrow protesting to Germany against her submarine declaration.

German Outrages.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that the Government has asked the co-operation of all the State authorities to meet German plots.

Special guards have been placed outside Government buildings while redoubled precautions have been taken at the White House and at the Allied Embassies.

It is estimated that 10,000 Central Empire agents are under surveillance; at least 5,000 in New York alone.

It is officially known that spies have been instructed to act in the event of a rupture with Germany.

A number of outrages have already been committed. As an example, the machinery of the *Kron Prinzessin Cecilie*, which was seized yesterday, was found to be seriously deranged.

The spying activities have included the surveying of routes leading to vital points in the Panama Canal fortifications.

IN THE WEST.

A British Success.

London, February 5.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—"We drove off an attack at Beaucourt and advanced slightly westward of Le Transloy. We pushed forward east of Beaucourt last night on a front of three quarters of a mile, to a depth of five hundred yards, taking a hundred prisoners and three machine guns. We heavily repulsed two counter-attacks on Sunday, twice entered German trenches south of Souchez, and bombed several dugouts."

Bombardment by French.

London, February 5.
A French communique says:—"Our artillery has effectively bombarded German works in various parts—notably a sector at Hill 304."

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THE GERMAN-AMERICAN RUPTURE.

LATE LORD CROMER.

London, February 4.
There was a large congregation at the memorial service to the late Lord Cromer, held in Westminster Abbey. Their Majesties and the Duke of Connaught were represented.

CHURCH NOTES.

In connection with the C. E. M. S., the following programme has been drawn up for the next three months:—

Friday, February 1.—Paper on Congregationalism by Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

Thursday 15.—Meeting at the City Hall.

Friday, February 23.—Paper on Wesleyanism by Rev. T. Robinson.

Thursday, March 15.—Meeting at the City Hall.

Friday, March 23.—Paper.

Thursday, April 19.—Meeting at the City Hall.

Friday, April 27.—Conference "Bannock."

The Ordinary Meetings are held at St. Paul's College at 6 p.m. The meetings at the City Hall are being arranged especially with a view to following up the interest aroused by the men's meetings at the time of the National Mission. The first one, which is open to all, is to be opened by Rev. C. L. Cooper Hunt, O.F., who will speak on some Old Testament Problems.

The Prisoners of War Fund.—The amount collected at the morning service of January 7 for this fund, was subsequently increased by donations received by the Hon. Treasurer in consequence of the Bishop's letter to the papers, and finally amounted to \$834.69.

The collections on January 21 for the Church Missionary Association amount to \$198.73.

The Rev. H. G. Griffith has left for a short holiday but returns to the colony about February 10th.

The Flower Fund.—Mrs. Pollock, the Hon. Treasurer of the Flower fund, is in the happy position of having so good a balance in hand that it is not necessary to ask for subscriptions at present. The thanks of the congregation are due to Mrs. Pollock for this very satisfactory position. Below is a brief statement of the accounts:—Receipts during 1916, \$187.50; expenses, \$89.75; balance, \$97.75.

The "Elijah".—Mr. Denman Fuller, hopes to give a large portion of the *Elijah* in the Cathedral at 9.15 p.m., on Good Friday (April 6), when a collection will be made in aid of certain War Funds. Practices will be held in the Cathedral on Thursdays during Lent, at 6.15 p.m., commencing on February 22, and Mr. Denman Fuller will be glad to hear of any willing to assist as soon as possible.—*Church Notes.*

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Piano Recital at Government House; 9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinema—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
New Hongkong Cinema—9.15 p.m.

Saturday, February 10.

Kowloon Road and Building Co.—Shareholders meeting; 11 a.m.
Hampshire Estate and Finance Co.—Shareholders meeting; 11 a.m.

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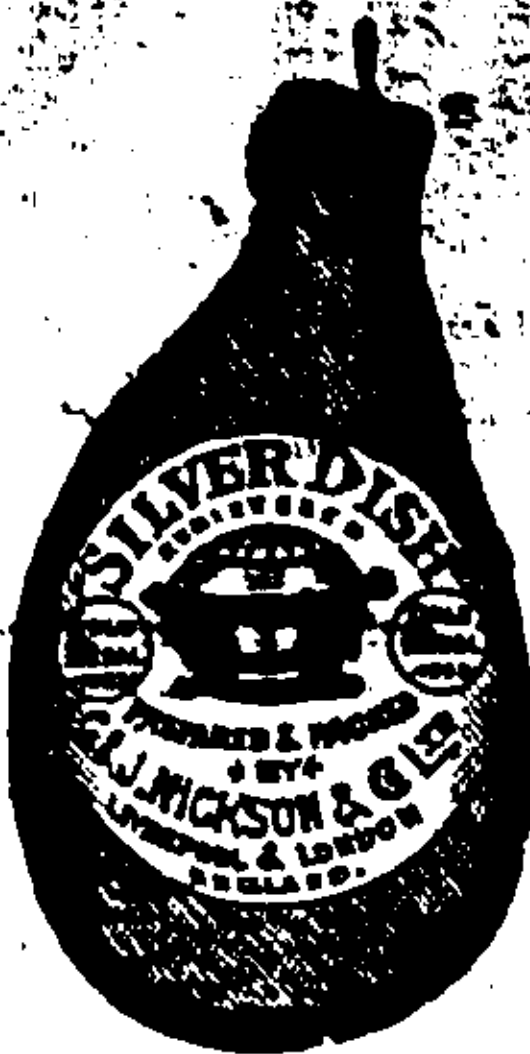
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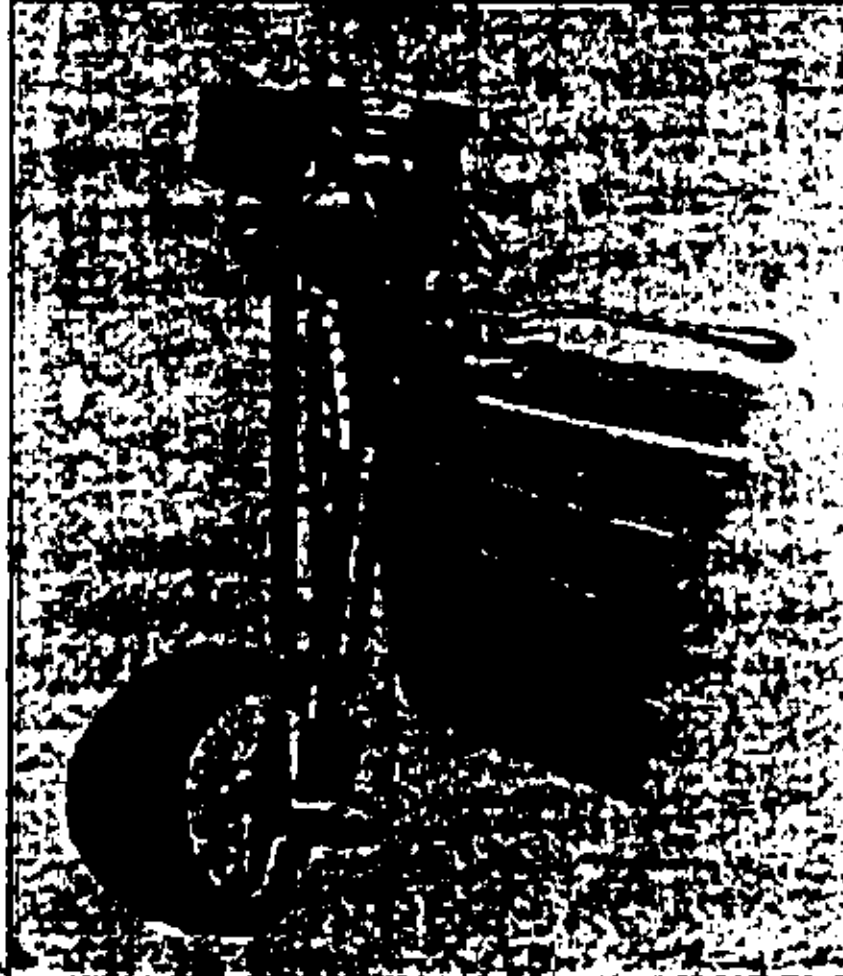
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GENERAL NEWS.

New Far Eastern Bank.

A despatch from Petrograd, dated January 18 reports that the
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office at Vladivostok as a financing
medium for commercial and in-
dustrial enterprises in the Far
East.

For Ricksha Coolies.

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and foreign, are planning an
interesting and unique entertain-
ment to be given on Saturday
evening, February 24, for the
benefit of the ricksha-men. The
proceeds will be used in erecting
shelters to protect them, while
waiting for trade, from the cold
of winter and the heat and rains
of summer.

Our Board of Trade.

A recent issue of the Board of
Trade Journal contains an adver-
tisement by a Manchester firm,
Messrs. Jabs Johnson, Hodgkin-
son, and Pearson, Ltd., one item
of which reads:—"Agents, . . .
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the Board of Trade is behind the
times and out-of-date in its
methods, but we did not expect
the fact made patent in its own
Journal.—John Bull.

Motors in Peking.

Visitors to Peking, who remem-
ber the time when there were no
more than two or three motor-cars
in the town, are always surprised
at the number that run about the
city to-day. Motor-cycles, appar-
ently are on the increase too, for
according to the Peking Gazette,
the Administrative Commission
of the Diplomatic Quarter has
fixed the speed limit for motors
and motor cycles at eight miles
per hour when passing through
the Legation Quarter. Proceed-
ings are to be taken against any
owners who themselves exceed,
or permit their chauffeurs to ex-
ceed this limit.

The Late Captain H. M. Jones.

Captain Henry Michael Jones,
V.O., late of the 7th Royal
Fusiliers, the King's Dragoon
Guards, and His Majesty's
Diplomatic Service, died at East-
bourne on 18th inst., aged 85. He
was the oldest surviving wearer
of the Victoria Cross, which was
awarded to him for bravery in the
Crimean War on June 7, 1855.
He was wounded dangerously at
the assault on the Redan. He
entered the Consular Service in
1858, and became Minister Resi-
dent in Bangkok in 1880. This
post he held for five years, when
he went to South America, and
retired in 1898. Captain Jones
was the youngest of six brothers,
of whom five were all, antecedent-
ly to the Crimean War, killed in
action. He himself carried the
Queen's Colours of the Royal
Fusiliers at the Alma, where he
was shot through the jawbone,
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Why Singapore Rubber

Declined.
The rubber market appears to
be taking a calmer view of the
position, and realises that any
advance which may be justified
must be gradual and must have
actual trade support behind it,
writes Messrs. Sanderson and Co.,
as quoted by the L. and O. Ex-
press of December 27. The re-
port continues:—"Information to
hand points to great shortage
of freight from the East. The
fear of not being able to secure
tonnage has caused a certain
amount of uneasiness in the East,
and prices there have declined,
and are now decidedly below
London parity. It is possible
that in the near future we may
see very high prices ruling
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GENERAL NEWS.

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The Emperor Hsuan Tung.

Peking, January 26.—A responsible official of the Imperial House of Taching has stated that there is a rumour about the Emperor Hsuan Tung going to the U. S. A. to further his studies, but this is unfounded, as the Emperor is only 12 years of age and it is almost unthinkable to send him abroad. Thus he absolutely denied the report.

Kwangtung and Opium.

H. E. Chu Hing-lai, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, is reported to have interceded in favour of the opium dealers in Canton. He has telegraphed to Peking, asking for one month's extension of time for the disposal of the large stock of opium unsold there. The Government, in reply, peremptorily ordered him to prohibit effectively the sale of all kinds of opium in his province on and after the appointed day, that is, April 1 next.

A Tobacco Monopoly.

A movement has been started in South Korea to form a combine of all tobacco traders in order to compete in the Chinese market and to stop underselling as a result of competition. The movement has extended throughout the peninsula, centring at Pusan. Plans are now on foot to establish a tobacco company with a capital of ¥1,000,000. A part of the sum is to be invested by capitalists of Tokio and Osaka. The main market to which the concern will turn for its activities is China. Local capitalists are taking up the matter and a body of men may journey to Korea for final conferences, says the *Japan Advertiser*.

President and Constitution.

The *Shunpo* reports:—The President entertained Kao Chong-hsin, the Minister for Agriculture and Commerce, and Chang Yao-tseng, the Minister for Justice, as well as Wang Chia-lung, the speaker and Wang Ching-ting, the deputy speaker of the Upper House respectively and 28 members of both Houses of the Parliament in the evening of January 28 and discussed about the measures to promulgate the Constitution for many hours. The President has decided to ask the leaders of all the political parties, altogether over thirty members, to have dinner with him at the Chujen Hall of the palace of the President at 5 p.m. on January 28 to enquire about the conferences of all the parties regarding the Constitution and to ask them to get the Constitution speedily concluded.

No More Haldane.

In a *John Bull* letter, Mr. Bottomley writes to Lord Haldane:—It is with more than usual satisfaction that I write you, for nothing is more certain than that your influence, unseen, but dangerous because so subtle, has been removed from the Ministry. So long as Lord Grey was at the Foreign Office, the nation could never be certain that your finger was not dipping into the pie of public affairs and your enervating influence affecting the destinies of the nation. It is said that you and Lord Grey keep house together. Whether it be true that you actually share with him the breakfast roll of war bread, I know not. But this I do know—that you share his thoughts and have too often guided his decisions. Thank God, we shall have no more Haldane so long as Lloyd George is in power!

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This contest will be remembered not so much because of the excellence of Wilde—many thought him hardly at his best—but because of the heroic resistance of Zulu Kid. In the fine art and technique of boxing he was outclassed, but he fought with most manly courage according to the plans he had evidently conceived to take him to victory.

Less than one round must have told the Italian boy that the left hand of Wilde, rapping out blows deadly in their precision, would prove his undoing unless he could steer clear of them. How was it to be done? Not by stand up boxing. But not until the seventh round did he realise that he must go in and fight, risking blows to his hard close-shaven head for the chance of getting in a selling blow to the body. This was Zulu Kid's best round, and the only one he won, but for the next three he had far more of the exchanges than previously.

Greatly superior as Wilde was, it was obvious that he was not too comfortable under the changed conditions, and for a time at least he tried to keep out of the hurly-burly of his opponent's rushes. He did not always succeed and there was the possibility that he might be beaten by just one blow. This was Wilde's only danger, and quick to realise it he increased the speed of his hitting and went to victory under truly dramatic circumstances.

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Hongkong, February 2, 1917.

little more skilful and able to go on a little longer it is probable that the whole aspect of the contest would have changed. As it was the champion won by his matchless skill, but Kid will go back to America with the assurance that no boxer could have shown greater bravery. Even when he was only half-conscious he refused to give in.

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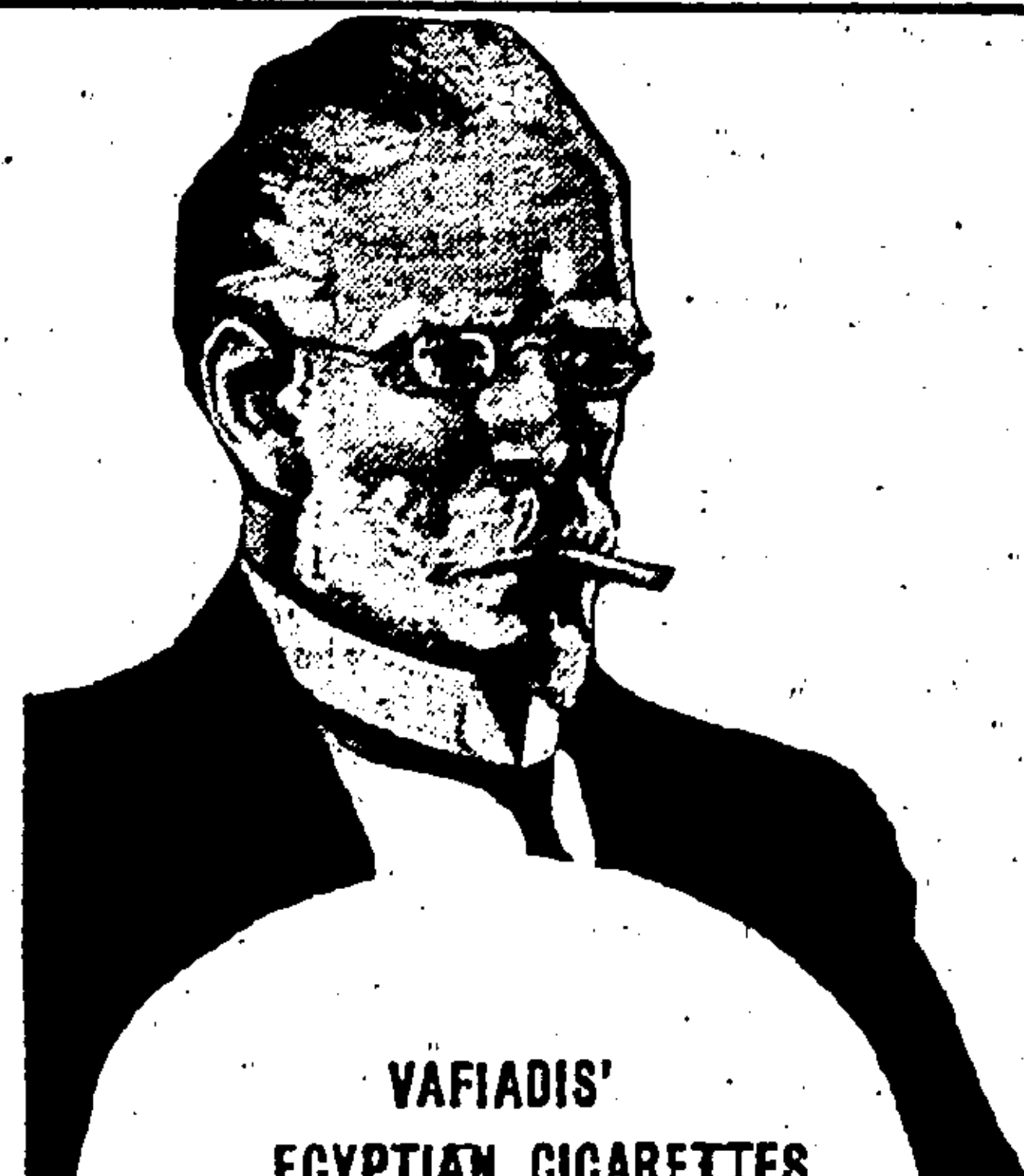
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DEATHS.
MURPHY.—On the 1st February, 1917, at the Isolation Hospital, Macao, Frederick William Murphy, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Lappa.
WALKER.—Killed in action, in Devil's Wood, last October, Harold Walker of the Australian Contingent; a nephew of J. H. Lemm of Hongkong.
WICKING.—On the 1st instant, at her residence Milton Road Bournemouth, Mrs. Hannah Wicking, widow of the late Mr. Harry Wicking.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1917.

AMERICA'S RESOLVE.

At length the diplomatic break between the United States and Germany has come, a telegram to hand yesterday definitely announcing that relations had been severed. The configuration begun in Europe has thus spread to the Western Hemisphere, and the whole world may now practically be said to be at war. There are still a few of the neutral nations that have managed to keep outside the quarrel, but the tendencies at the moment are that they too will soon be forced to declare their enmity towards the most barbarous and the most unscrupulous country in the world. So far as America is concerned, unless she were prepared to sacrifice her last shred of self-respect and national honour, the break had to come. Long before Germany's declaration to the whole world that she intended flouting all the laws of humanity, so far as warfare on the sea was concerned, the United States had suffered innumerable insults and humiliations at the hands of the enemy of civilisation. It cannot therefore be said that America has been over-hasty in her decision. On the contrary, the best elements in American life, whether at home or abroad, have been pained beyond measure that it has taken President Wilson close on three years to make his mind up, when, from the very commencement of the war, it was apparent that Germany had deliberately declared herself as the enemy of those principles of liberty and freedom upon which the whole basis of civilised government has been built up. And it is not without significance that, up to the last moment, there were those occupying high position in the United States who were ready to wait a further overt act by Germany before finally taking the plunge—asking, as it were, for another smack in the face before showing their anger, as distinct from talking about it.

What is the situation now, and how does America's resolve affect the war as such? So far as the actual hostilities are concerned, America's declaration can have very little effect at the moment. Her break with Germany, though it arises out of the war, is in reality a separate and distinct development. America is not at war with Germany because of any decision on her part to champion the interests of others; she has severed relations because Germany has taken a step which directly interferes with, or threatens, American security. By the very principles of her Constitution, America cannot engage herself in any European alliances or entanglements. She therefore enters the war rather as a sympathetic partner than as a direct ally of those other nations which are to-day waging war with the Central Powers. That aspect of the situation must have been in Sir F. E. Smith's mind when, speaking at Cardiff, he declared that "we Allies are strong enough to fight out the quarrel ourselves; we have been the custodians of the honour of neutrals, and we now tell them to be the custodians of their own." Therefore, so far as the actual fighting goes, America's "coming in" can hardly be expected materially to affect the situation. The chief value of the decision to the Allies is the vindication it provides of their oft-repeated conviction that the whole world would, in course of time, come to regard Germany as a brutal monster who would stop at nothing in her efforts to attain the domination of mankind.

The question which emerges to first place in thinking over the new situation is whether or not the United States will be able to control her own internal affairs now that the break has come. We have already had occasion to comment on the enormously large German and German-American population in the States, and what is known of these people can scarcely be said to redound to their credit. The U. S. Army is notoriously small, considering the extent of the territory which it has to guard, though we imagine that, as was the case in England when the war broke out, there will be no lack of patriotic young citizens who will come forward to lend a hand to their country. All the same, we cannot see how America is to be spared grave trouble within her own boundaries, and, remembering the numerous plots which occurred in the days of her neutrality, it is certain that increased vigilance will be necessary, particularly at the docks and at the munitions factories. So far as the production of munitions for the Allies is concerned, this is not likely to be seriously affected, for whatever fighting American troops are called upon to do will probably be in the nature of coping with riots, for which heavy munitions will be needed. Financially, the United States is well able to face the situation, for her national wealth has been enormously increased since the war. Britain and her Allies welcome the American resolve on strong sentimental and humanitarian grounds. It shows that Germany is out of tune with accepted ideas of civilisation—that there is no place for her among the comity of nations. That is why she is making fresh enemies with every passing day.

The Local Aspect.

"We have dealt in our leading article to-day with the general situation arising out of America's severance of diplomatic relations with Germany. Here we may take a glance at it from the local standpoint. This being a British Colony, the break has no special significance, for the measures which have been taken here in regard to German influence automatically protect American interests. But the decision has a distinct value from the fact that there will now be less cause for fear that German ships may dash out from Manila, or that a base for submarines will be found somewhere in the locality of the Philippines. Hitherto the authorities there have been merely concerned with preventing any violation of American neutrality in the Islands; now they will have a much more direct interest in keeping an eye on the German. And in this respect the American naval force in the Orient will be of distinct value. But there is another aspect of the situation locally, and that is one of sentiment rather than of practical import. We have always held that the best type of Americans have long been in favour of their country's declaring enmity against the Germans. And of the bulk of the American community in Hongkong—if not, indeed, of all of it—it can be said that they have keenly felt the humiliation caused by President Wilson's temporising and hesitation. All their sympathies have been with the Allies' cause. To-day they can feel no little relief from the fact that at last their country has come in on the right side. The decision, belated though it is, will serve to strengthen Anglo-American friendship in Hongkong and throughout the Far East generally.

The H.K.P.R. Anniversary.

We have to congratulate the Police Reserve upon entering, as it does to-day, on its third year of work. The corps is, to the best of our information, unique: nowhere else, we believe, is there a body of volunteers some six hundred strong, which, while undertaking all civil police duties, has a quasi-military standing as well. This body consists of four companies, numbering respectively, in round figures, 160, 140, 100, and 80—made up of Britishers and Indians, Chinese, and Portuguese. All these men have received or are receiving the ordinary infantry training, and are, in addition, performing the street duties of regular police constables, sergeants, etc. Further, the corps boasts an ambulance platoon which has been conspicuously of use during the small pox epidemic, mounted motor and Maxim sections, a brass band, a string orchestra and a bugle band. It has, too, one of the best and most sensibly-conducted clubs in this part of the world, and is now producing its own *Gazette*.

A Good Record.

Such an organisation has not come into being without much skillful and long-sighted planning, a lot of hard, self-denying work on the part of its promoters, and a very great deal of monetary help from generous Chinese and others. Its career has not been by any means an unobscured one: it has had to hold up its head in the face of some amount of undeserved ridicule, distrust and jealousy; it certainly has not received too much help from the Government; it has—being but human—doubtless made a few mistakes. But none of this affects the self-evident truth that, in its spirit of good fellowship, its loyalty to and affection for its commanding officer, and its readiness to do its little share in bearing the war burden, it is a corps of which Hongkong has every reason to be proud. By the various duties which it has undertaken it has set free a not inappreciable number of men for work at the Front; it has been of material assistance in keeping down crime to a decent minimum, and it has throughout maintained most excellent relations with the officers and men of the regular force, all of whom have ever been ready to make allowances for the imperfect experience of their young amateur brothers, and to give them all possible help.

DAY-BY-DAY.

BASE ENNY WITHERS AT ANOTHER'S JOY, AND HATES THAT EXCELLENCE IT CANNOT REACH.—Thomson.

The Dollar.
The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.5/16d.

To-morrow's Anniversary.
To-morrow is the 17th anniversary of General Buller's second crossing of the Tugela.

Biblical Lecture.
A lecture will be given at the Helena May Institute to-morrow afternoon (Tuesday), at 6 p.m., by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, subject, "The Biblical View of the Creation." The meeting is open to all women.

Alleged Pig Stealers.
Sergeant Wills, of Yau-mai, charged four men, before Mr. O.D. Melbourne, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, with stealing pigs. Seven of the pigs have been recovered. His Worship ordered a remand, fixing bail at \$100 each.

A Fighting Tragedy.
A report has been made to the Police by a Chinese boatman, that, whilst he was fishing in a small boat off Cheng Chau Island on Friday, his boat was dashed against the rocks and wrecked. Three foks and himself were thrown into the sea. He and two others were picked up by another boat, but the other foki was drowned. His body has not been recovered.

Whist Drive.
The R.N. Games Club held their weekly whist drive at the R.N. Canteen on Friday evening, when the participants spent a thoroughly enjoyable evening. Mr. Morley carried off the premier honours with a score of 179, followed by Mr. Horn with 172. Messrs. Howes and Kelly dead-heated for third place, and the former won the deciding out. Mr. Oousens took charge of the "Booby." The Games Club invites gentlemen whist players every Friday at 8 p.m.

Dock Employees and Opium.
Three employees of the Kowloon Dock were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, this morning, with possession of opium. It appeared that the men were employed on work being done on the a.s. Fooksang, at present in Dock, and, as they were leaving, the loose opium was found concealed under their clothing. They had about seventy taels between them. Owing to the absence of the analyst's certificate, the men were remanded, bail being fixed at \$300 each.

Failure to Notify.
A woman from the village of Wong Nsi Woo complained to the Police at Yau-mai on Saturday of the loss of some pigs. She came to Yau-mai by boat and on board was found to be a child of hers suffering from small-pox. She was arrested by L. S. Talloch, and charged before Mr. O. D. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning. She said she did not know the law, and also stated that she did not know what the child was suffering from. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

Victoria Theatre.
The Victoria has been crowded during the last few performances that late comers have been obliged to go without seats. To-night there is a special band performance. We are asked to say that, while the various big serials are being shown at the Victoria, Messrs. Pathe's own big productions will be shown for one night only per week—Thursday. Thus there will now be three changes of programmes per week. The new arrangement begins on Thursday, when the great war film "Business as Usual" will be shown.

"A Perfect Nuisance."
For many months past an elderly man has been frequenting Peking Road, Kowloon, pestering passers-by, both on foot and in rickshaws, by his begging appeals. He was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistrate's Court this morning, when it was stated by Inspector Gordon that the man was a perfect nuisance. He had already been sent to Canton four times, and once, when about to be sent, he escaped from the Police. Yesterday, when he was arrested, he ran away but was eventually caught. His Worship imposed a fine of \$4, or, in default, seven days' hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(The opinions expressed by correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

THE MAN POWER QUESTION.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Sir:—The following is a rough extract from *Truth*, dated December 27, 1917:—"I am informed that there are a number of young men of military age who are employed in Government departments on the Gold Coast and in Nigeria, and who are keen to 'join up' in any capacity, but cannot obtain release for the purpose. This is where the Adjutant-General might come in by getting Lord Derby to move in the matter, for men are more wanted at the front just now than in Sierra Leone and Comassie, where anyone over military age can carry on for the time being." The same cry comes from Hongkong, though in this case from departmental military officers and men of the R.E., R.A.M.C., A.S.C., etc., who have been kept at this out-of-the-way station marking time while their more fortunate regimental brethren have all gone to the front, where they are raking in military crosses and distinguished conduct medals by the dozens. Many of the individuals referred to have been kept a year, and some two years, beyond their normal time at Hongkong, and are now pining for a chance of 'doing their bit' at the front. Here is a perfectly suitable opening for convalescent wounded men, who have had enough of the trenches, and have earned a well-deserved rest from active service."

It is a pity that *Truth* at the time of writing did not know the situation as it actually exists here. There must be many departmental military duties which can be carried on by civil and business men now in Hongkong; but, in order to bring this about, drastic reforms must be made and all unnecessary detail cut out. In order to obtain the greatest number of men possible, the Government, military and civil, and every business firm should take steps to eliminate all work, which, while it may create the acme of efficiency in normal times, can easily be dispensed with in war time without marring a sufficient standard of efficiency. How many heads of departments can say that there is not an unnecessary duplication of detail? If this were taken in hand, many men could be spared for military service. Reorganisation in the whole Colony is what is wanted, from the highest to the lowest.

Yours etc.
IN TRIPLICATE.
Hongkong, February 5, 1917.

COMPANY REPORT.

The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

The twenty-eight report of the Board of Directors of the above company to the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's offices, Victoria Buildings, at 11 a.m. on Saturday February 10, states:—
The Directors now submit to you a statement of the affairs of the Company and balance sheet for the year ending December 31, 1916.

The balance of Profit and Loss Account for the year including \$1,799,87 balance brought forward from last account, after writing off all charges and expenses, amounts \$13,541.44. The Directors recommend that a dividend of \$2.00 per share be paid, which, after providing for Directors' and Auditor's Fees, will leave a balance of \$991.44 to be carried forward to the credit of a new Profit and Loss Account.

Directors.—Messrs. T. F. Hough and T. E. Pearce now retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election.

Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. H. Percy Smith, who now retires and offers himself for re-election.

JOTTINGS BY THE WAY.

"In the fog yesterday the towers of Westminster Abbey stood out dimly against a smoky sky."—Had we not had this on the authority of the *Times*, we should have gone to the grave under the firm impression that it was the fixed habit of fog to render such odds and ends as church-towers and street traffic rather more visible than usual.

A report of the Medical Conference at Canton says that an interesting exhibit which attracted considerable attention was a hygienic dining table for the eating of Chinese food in a sanitary fashion.—Good luck to it. The next invention we want to see, in that line, is a dining table that will force some of the people at home to take their soup like Christians; i.e. insensibly.

The Manila papers are seldom more illuminating than when engaged in writing about British titles. One of them, a few days ago, published a photograph of the new Governor General of Canada, with the legend subscribed: "The Earl of Devonshire." Our contemporary then improved matters by adding the following: "The Duke of Devonshire is known as one of Europe's richest barons." And now we are hopelessly at sea as to whether His Excellency is a baron, an earl or just a plain duke.

A local paper's telegram columns inform us that the Laurencio "went down in time variously estimated from five to three quarters of an hour."—We have been at the trouble of investigating the matter, and we find that it took her exactly five quarters to sink.

On the authority of the *N. C. Daily News*, a "British youth of fifteen, of quiet habits," is looking about for lodgings.—We take it that the average gentleman of that age is given to arriving home at three in the morning, to bushing an odd policeman or two, and then to routing the house for just one more whisky-soda.

"It would be a great pity to see Johore and Kedah left out from the call to arms," says a correspondent of the *Malay Mail*.—And it's exactly what we've always said about Hongkong; but it still looks as though the war would be over before the Colony starts to do anything very practical in the matter.

Congratulations this week to our Educated Comp. for talking about the "man powder" question, and to a Shanghai contemporary on advertising a specific against prickly heat—in January.

The *Manila Bulletin* states that the new superdreadnought *Mississippi* was launched the other day.—She is, we gather, the largest in the world.

We wonder if it really is true that the P.W.D. is already engaged on plans for the subsequent pulling up of the new roadway which it is now busy laying, outside the Post Office.

We should also like to know how much truth there is in a current rumour to the effect that the Europeans of the Colony are going to petition the Government for permission to walk along the pavements of Queen's Road Central and Pedder Street for at least one hour a day, without the risk of being banged on the head with a bamboo, blinded by the point of a shovel or drenched with paint, pigwash, etc. At present we believe there is not a single hour during which coolies carrying burdens at either end of a long bamboo may not be found on these pavements. Will the Police Department kindly note?

Since we read in the leading article of a local contemporary that "the Germans must sooner or later sue for peace," we feel that we really are beginning to get a few glimmerings of light upon a not altogether unimportant situation.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

It is practically 30 years ago since our Dominion Premier first met in conference, says the *Daily Chronicle*. They had some to London early in 1887 to represent their respective Colonies at Queen Victoria's Jubilee, when Lord Salisbury decided to call them together for an informal discussion on various matters concerning the Empire. So successful was this gathering that further ones were held in 1897, on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee, and in 1902, at the time of King Edward's Coronation, under the name of Colonial Conference. The next meeting took place in 1907, when the title was altered to Imperial Conference. At the earlier meetings the Colonial Secretary presided, but with the change of name additional importance was given to the assembly by the assumption of the Presidency by the British Prime Minister.

The names of Lord Salisbury and Sir Robert Peel should have been included in the list published by a contemporary of nineteenth century Premiers who declined to take up their abode in Downing-street. Lord Salisbury hardly ever entered his official residence, his Cabinets being always summoned to meet at the Foreign Office. Peel, when Premier, continued to live in Whitehall-gardens, among his pictures, but traversed his official business in Downing-street. So late as 1894 a charge figured in the Estimates for an annuity to the man who swept the Whitehall crossing traversed by Sir Robert on the way from his house to Downing-street.

Sir Thomas More would have supported the Government in its proposal to establish National Service, for thus they will realise one of his cherished ideals, remarks the *Chronicle*. In describing the conditions of life in the city of Utopia, he tells us how "every 90 families chose each year an officer, called a Syphogrant, and that the chiefs and almost the only office of the Syphogrant is to see and take heed that no manne sit idle; but that every one apply his own craft with earnest diligence." But then in Utopia six hours work per diem sufficed. Will Mr. George be content with that?

Pearls, which have fetched such high prices at sales of "enemy alien" jewellery, were one of three possessions for which our wooded British ancestors were mainly respected in the ancient world, the other two being tin and cypress. The Romans found pearls as plentiful as blackberries among us, and Julius Caesar dedicated to Venus Genetrix a breastplate studded with British pearls. These were probably obtained from fresh water mussels with distorted shells. Fisheries for these "wood pearls" have existed on many rivers of Ireland, Scotland, and Wales from time immemorial, notably in the River Strule, near Omagh. Pearl fishing is now discouraged by riparian owners, in the interests of salmon. But a fine pearl from the River Ythan has adorned the crown of Scotland, and a Welsh pearl from Conway holds a place of honour on the British crown.

Grosvenor House, which the Duke of Westminster has lent for the headquarters of the new Food Controller, was originally Gloucester House, and was built for the Duke of Gloucester, youngest brother of George III. The Grosvenor family acquired it, however, early in the nineteenth century, and most of its finest architectural features have been added since then. The picture gallery was built in 1826, and the handsome colonnade that screens it from Upper Grosvenor-street—one of the finest things of its kind in the country—was completed in 1842.

Billiards.

The first game in the second round of the Palace Hotel billiards handicap takes place at 8 o'clock to-night, when Mr. J. Parkes (owns 250) will meet Mr. F. Kelly (owns 90).

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

Club Beaten by University.

The 'Varsity scored a very distinct victory over the Club on the H.K.O.C. ground on Saturday, knocking up 258 for the loss of eight wickets whilst their opponent were all dismissed for 99. Brayshaw had a most successful afternoon, scoring a well-played 63 and capturing six wickets for 39 runs. Ramjahn also did well with the bat, being 52 not out. The Club players were all at sea, only three men getting double figures. Their bowling and fielding were also weak. Scores:—

University.	
R. Pontonby Fane, run out...	5
Ng Sze Kwong, b Hamilton...	6
G. E. Marley, Sutton, b Bird...	28
K. Brayshaw, b Pearce...	63
J. D. Wright, b Glaister...	32
A. de Sousa, c Hamilton, b...	0
Glaister...	0
A. H. Ramjahn, not out...	52
D. P. Dixon, b Bird...	2
W. Hall, c Sutton, b Hamilton...	4
W. Gittens, not out...	10
S. A. I-mell, did not bat...	...
Extras...	46

Total (for 8 wickets)...258

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hamilton...	12	1	55	2
Bird...	13	2	70	2
Glaister...	5	1	35	2
Pearce...	3	0	31	1
de Rome...	2	0	5	0
Mass...	2	0	15	0
Gray...	1	0	2	0

*Bowled three wickets.

H. K. C. C.	
T. E. Pearce, b Dixon...	2
E. J. B. Mitchell, b Brayshaw...	3
Lt. E. H. Gray, c de Sousa, b...	...
Dixon...	20
F. J. de Rome, c de Sousa, b...	7
Brayshaw...	5
E. W. Hamilton, b Brayshaw...	30
M. M. Meas, c Ng Sze Kwong...	...
Brayshaw...	2
G. J. Aubrey, b Brayshaw...	2
R. E. O. Bird, c Gittens, b...	...
Brayshaw...	14
F. Sutton, b Ng Sze Kwong...	7
R. M. Austin, not out...	0
J. Glaister, c Dixon, b Ng Sze...	4
Kwong...	5
Extras...	5

Total.....99

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dixon...	0	1	28	2
Brayshaw...	13	3	39	6
Marley...	4	1	10	0
Ng Sze Kwong...	1.30	19	2	...

K. C. C. v. Military.
Kowloon comfortably defeated a military team on Saturday, mainly due to the good all-round display of Evans, who scored 69 and took three wickets for 24 runs. Five of the military men were run out. Scores:—

Kowloon.	
J. Mead, b Baker...	1
Dr. O. Forsyth, b Smith...	13
Lt. J. Blackburn, c Page, b...	...
Smith...	8
B. D. Evans, b Baker...	69
J. V. Braga, c Smith, b Baker...	0
W. T. Eason, b Baker...	0
J. O. Fletcher, c Baker, b...	...
Smith...	0
H. Overy, c Baker...	0
E. J. Edwards, b Macaskill...	7
A. W. E. Davidson, not out...	1
Extras...	13

Total...115

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Baker...	14	0	62	5
Smith...	8	0	34	3
Macaskill...	5.2	1	6	1

Military.	
Lt. Wahl, c Edwards, b Evans...	0
Dix, b Evans...	1
K. Macaskill, run out...	9
Corpl. Smith, run out...	1
Lieut. Baker, b Evans...	4
Bmr. Veal, c Evans, b Braga...	9
J. P. Robinson, run out...	9
W. L. Weaver, not out...	14
Spr. Ball, run out...	5
G. Page, c Braga...	7
Extras...	8

Total...87

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
B. D. Evans...	10.1	2	24	3
J. V. Braga...	10	10	35	2

Craigengower v. R.G.A.
Craigengower secured another win on Saturday, defeating the R.G.A. by eight runs. Scores:—

The Navy v. Chinese Recreation Club.

The Navy met their old rivals, the C.R.C. at Happy Valley on Saturday, the game resulting in a draw. The Navy batted first, and made 193 runs for the loss of five wickets, when they declared their innings closed. Comdr. Gibson retired after making a century. The C.R.C. batsmen played carefully and 104 runs were registered with two wickets down, when stumps were drawn.

The Navy.	
Comdr. Gibson, retired...	100
Asst. Payr. Wild, b Un c Yew...	4
Asst. Payr. Robinson, b Ohing...	38
P. O. Newman, b Ohing...	12
Sub. Lt. Golland, not out...	19
Surg. Fitzwilliams, not out...	8
Mr. Carruthers, Pte. Cooke,	...
A. B. Skinner, Ldg. Stoker	...
Edwards and Wtr. Lister,	...
did not bat	...
Extras...	14

Total...193

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Yew Man Tsun...	5	1	28	0
Un Hw Fan...	13	0	69	1
Lee...	4.10	23	0	...
Ohing...	6	0	48	2
Wong...	3	0	14	0

*Bowled a wide ball.

C.R.C.	
Wong Po Keung, b Golland...	28
Yew Man Tsun, not out...	42
Ng Sze Yuen, run out...	17
Geo. Lee, not out...	2
Un Hw Fan, H. Ohing, Wei	...
Lee Son, J. Wong, A. Kew,	...
McK Hing, R. Chen, did not	...
bat	...
Extras...	15

Total (for 2 wks)...104

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Gibson...	10	1	23	0
Wild...	8	1	24	0
*Robinson...	6	1	9	0
Golland...	7	2	14	1
Newman...	2	0	15	0
Fitz williams...	2	0	5	0

*Bowled wide ball.

R.G.A.	
Waterson, b Graham...	9
Smith, b Graham...	16
Storr, b Abbas...	55
Britnell, c and b Abbas...	29
Health, b Southerton...	3
Southwood, b Southerton...	0
Saunders, not out...	2
F. E. Smith, b Southerton...	0
Bone, b Southerton...	0
Extras...	3

Total...117

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Southerton...	8	1	40	4
Graham...	7	0	45	2
Bradbury...	3	0	18	0
Abbas...	2	0	11	2

Craigengower.	
F. G. Thompson, b Storr...	3
D. Goodall, b Waterson...	8
R. G. Southerton, c Southwood	...
b Britnell...	38
S. Jex, b Waterson...	6
L. A. Rose, c and b Storr...	6
J. S. Graham, c Storr b Brit-	...
nell...	30
B. W. Bradbury, b Britnell...	19
F. Schnepel, not out...	1
M. Abbas, b Storr...	5
O. Alves, b Storr...	0
Extras...	14

Total...125

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Waterson...	8	0	35	2
Storr...	9	0	44	4
Britnell...	6	0	31	3

Total...125

LAWN TENNIS.	
Police v. Press.	

Teams drawn from the Police and the Press enjoyed a contest at the Police Recreation Club courts on Saturday, the guardians of law and order being far too good for their journalistic opponents. The result was a win for the home team by 69 games to 30. The Police team was:—Mr. T. H. King, A.S.P., and P. O. Nichol; Inspectors Grant and Kent; Inspector Angus and Sergt. Ogg. The Press were represented by:—Messrs. A. Hicks and T. O. Wilkin; W. A. Donaldson and C. W. Reynolds; C. M. Wilson and A. Morley.

During the afternoon, the members of the Club dispensed hospitality with a lavish hand, and at the close of the game the thanks of the visitors was appropriately expressed.

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THE KIDNAPPERS.

Lawlessness in Macao.

We hear none too good accounts of behaviour of some of the ruffians who hover anywhere between Macao and Canton. Kidnapping is said still to be one of their chief amusements, and quite a number of bad cases have recently been brought to light.

In one instance, two small boys were enticed away from the Praya and taken, on board a junk, to Canton, to be held for ransom. As a result of investigations they were traced to a house in the native city, but, on the arrival of the police, the two men responsible contrived to escape by the back way, and no one was found in the house but the two stolen children and a girl of fifteen. To the surprise of the officials this girl immediately asked to be sent back with the little boys to her friends in Macao, asserting that she was the niece of a well-known Chinese merchant and that she had been recently kidnapped from that colony. Her story was that she was passing through a Macao street when a Chinese came up and spoke to her. She told him to go away, whereupon he pulled some "cigarette-smoke" in her face and that, after that, she lost all will of her own and was obliged to follow him. Indeed it is seriously believed by many of the Chinese of the district that some of these marauders have a means whereby they can temporarily stupefy their victims with poisonous fumes.

In another case, a boy of sixteen was beguiled away to Canton and put up to ransom—a part of which was paid by his grandmother in Macao, without, however, his being restored to freedom. Being an ingenious youth, he struck up a warm friendship with the son of his captor, pretended that he would rather remain in Canton than be sent back to his grandmother and so, in due course, contrived to escape.

LOOKING OLD TOO SOON.

Too many girls and women look old long before they should. Their faces become pale and drawn, wrinkles appear, and their eyes lack brightness. Can it be wondered at, when they so frequently have headaches, backaches and a general feeling of wretchedness and weakness? In most cases it is the blood that is to blame. From one cause or another the blood has become thin and watery, and it is a fact that anemia (which is bloodlessness), more than any other cause, gives women this prematurely aged appearance.

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A BANKRUPTCY ISSUE.

In the Bankruptcy Court this morning, the Chief Justice heard an argument in a partnership issue, when Chan Yung-shing and Chan Yang-fai denied that they were partners in either the Tung Kee or Wing Kee firms, now bankrupt, formerly of 47, and 48, Connaught Road Central.

The Kwong Wo firm appear as creditors, the Trustees in Bankruptcy was represented by Mr. P. W. Goldring, while the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., (instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind) appeared for the debtors. Mr. Pollock asked that the case should be adjourned until to-morrow, as he might take an order against Chan Yang-shing, or, on the other hand, the case might be settled. His Lordship agreed, and the matter was adjourned until to-morrow.

Theft of Canvas.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, a Chinese was charged with stealing two large rolls of canvas, and, the case being proved against him, he was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong 5th February, 1917.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th to 17th February, 1917, both days inclusive.
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SHIPPING NEWS.

To Increase French Mercantile Marine.

According to the "Bulletin des Haies" (Paris) of November 24, a bill has been introduced into the Chamber of Deputies having for its object the increase of the French mercantile marine. It is proposed in the bill to make an advance of 160,000,000 francs to ship-owners, 60,000,000 francs of which are to be expended on ships already built, and 100,000,000 francs to be devoted to new construction. The advance is to be made during the period from the promulgation of the law until eighteen months after the cessation of hostilities.

Price of Fushun Coal Raised.

So far Fushun coal exported from Dairen and Port Arthur has been in execution of contracts signed last year. The S. M. R. Co. Coal Sales Section, in view of the decimation of rolling stock from the extreme cold, as noted repeatedly, and also the recent explosion of coal dust in Oyama Shaft (Fushun Collieries), is reported to have advanced the prices of coal for fresh export, viz. other than in fulfillment of the existing contracts. By so doing, the Coal Sales Section has put the prices on a re-ear balance with those ruling at home, and means, at the same time, to meet the demands in Manchuria better. There are some 71,000 tons of Fushun coal in stock at Fushun in addition to 42,637 tons at the Coal Depot on the Dairen Wharves as it stood on the 1st inst., and as already stated time and again, the combined stocks will prove sufficient to fill all possible needs for some time to come.

Captain Blaikie, of the Caledonia.

The "Star" in writing of Captain Blaikie says:—He is a man of strong and fearless character, with the shrewdness always associated with the natives of Aberdeen, where he was born 51 years ago. He received his education at Gordon College, but like many of the young men of the north he was strongly attracted towards a seafaring life, and he gave scope to his desires by appointing himself to the Thomson Line—whose famous ships have been the starting place of many distinguished sailors. After a thorough grounding in all that makes for efficiency, he came to Glasgow in 1884 to join the service of the Anchor Line, where he has remained since, to the mutual satisfaction of his employers and himself. His first experience with them was as fourth officer in the Fu nesia, but his sound seamanship and excellent character gained for him rapid promotion, and six years later found him master of the former Anchoria. Before reaching that position he had been mate in several of the leading ships of the firm, including the Setra and the City of Rome. It was while on the latter vessel that he did such splendid service in connection with the South African war as to gain him the Boer medal. He joined the Anchoria in 1900 as master, and after a few months with her was transferred to the former California, where he remained for two years, when he was transferred to the Hesperia. Six months' service with her followed, and then he went into the company's Eastern trade in command of the Britannia, and his subsequent commands were: Anchoria, 1904; Ethiopia, December 1904; Furressia, 1905; California (new steamer), 1907; and Caledonia, 1914. About ten years ago Captain Blaikie and his family took up residence in Greenock, and there also he soon formed warm friendships, his abilities and personality being highly appreciated in the seaport town at the T. I. of the Bank. Everybody speaks of him in the most cordial terms. "He is one of the old school of sailors which is rapidly passing away," remarked one who has had wide experience in dealing with sea-going officers, "and we are all more sorry than we can tell about what has happened. He is a typical Aberdeen—cautious, and possessed of sound judgment, and fearless. One of the most competent and careful navigators that ever sailed from the Clyde, he is also one of the most genial to those who know him best, fond of a song and a good story, but never neglectful of his principal duty of looking well after his ship. Yes, you can say he is one of the very best officers in the service." Jimmy Blaikie, as he is familiarly called by his friends, is a well-set-up man, with a touch of silver in his hair, who looks every inch a sailor, with a keen eye, firm featured, and prompt in command, and is held in great esteem by his fellow-officers, and indeed by all who have served under him.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

More Fighting Reported.

London, February 4.
A Russian wireless official message says:—We repulsed several attacks on the east side of the Tural Swamp.
Between the Tural Swamp and the As River the Germans broke into our trenches to the east of the Kalosom road, but our counter-attack restored the position.
A German message says:—We repulsed several Russian attacks on the As River.

Aerial Bombardments.

London, February 4.
A French communique states:—Our aeroplanes heavily bombed cantonnements and railways at Appilly and Terguier, and munition works at Thionville.

A German Admission.

London, February 4.
A German wireless official message says:—An English attack to the north of Beaumont broke down, but a detachment penetrated our front trenches near the north bank of the Ancre.

TEA TRADE AGREEMENT.

London, February 4.
The Times says that a temporary agreement has been concluded between the India tea shippers and the shipping lines, with the result that freights will be paid at the rate of seventy-five shillings per ton.
The merchants now appear to have abandoned the idea of arranging shortly a new contract for the autumn. They seem perfectly prepared to take the chances on whatever conditions prevail at the expiry of the present arrangement.

THE ALLIED CONFERENCE.

London, February 4.
Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd states that at the Palace banquet to the Allied delegates, the Tsar declared that the task of the delegates would effectively contribute to and hasten a definite victory.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

London, February 3.
The U. S. Government has requested the State of Idaho not to press the anti-alien legislation, as it was objectionable to Japan.

FRANCE MOBILISING CIVILIANS.

London, February 3.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, the Government is considering Bills for the mobilising of all civilians between the ages of 18 and 60.

THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

London, February 3.
The Indian Army Section of the Mounted Imperial Horse to escort the King on the opening of Parliament on February 7 comprises Majors C. H. Rowcroft, (Commanding), G. W. Hemans, H. F. Whitby, H. Y. Salkeld and Lieutenant Colonel Sir Sajjan Singh, the Rajah of Ratlam, as well as seventeen Indian cavalry officers.

THE WAR LOAN BOOM.

London, February 3.
The Postmaster General, speaking at Keighley, said that over fifty million war loan applications have been received through the Post Office, representing £125,000,000.

GERMAN MILITARY CONCENTRATION.

London, February 3.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, General von Falkenhayn has arrived at Munster, where there is a large German force concentrated.

A MILITARY RAILWAY DISASTER.

London, February 3.
A military train collided with a passenger train at Herxengrath between Daesseldorf and Aschen. One hundred were killed and injured.

GERMAN CROWN PRINCE PROMOTED.

London, February 3.
The Kaiser, in an Army Order, announces the promotion of the Crown Prince to the rank of General of Infantry in recognition of "joyful, indefatigable and loyal fulfilment of duty, earning the confidence and love of the troops under your command."

FRENCH MAN-POWER DEBATE.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, General Lyautey dramatically terminated a debate on the Bill to re-examine men rejected or exempted, and said he had to cancel arrangements to go to the Front on the previous evening owing to the debate. He had no intention of further postponing his departure, and he could not take a message of farewell to the fine men in the trenches. He insisted on a final vote.
The Chamber immediately rejected the amendments and passed the Bill by 398 votes to 85.

REPLY TO AUSTRIAN NOTE.

London, February 4.
According to Reuter's correspondent at Rome, a semi-official announcement referring to the Austrian Note to the United States with regard to the Allied torpedoing of a hospital ship and steamers, without warning, in the Adriatic, states that the former was a regrettable accident, partly due to the ship not flying the prescribed flag. The ship was not sunk and the casualties were very slight. The transports were torpedoed close to the land, this contrasting with the enemy sinkings on the open sea and the capture of the crews.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE NEW SUBMARINISM.

Foreseen by the Allies.

Paris, February 2.
A naval expert states that at the recent Naval Conference in London the new submarineism was foreseen and energetic measures adopted, assuring the relative security of France and Great Britain.

American Demand on Germany.

Washington, February 3.
America has demanded from Germany the immediate release of the Americans captured in the Atlantic by the raider.

Count Bernstorff Handed Passports.

Washington, February 3.
Count Bernstorff has been handed his passport. Mr. Gerard, the Ambassador at Berlin, has been recalled. President Wilson's decision was reached after a conference with members of the Cabinet and Senators which convinced the President that the country was solidly in favour of rupture.

U.S. Consulates in Germany Closed.

Washington, February 3.
Mr. Gerard, the American Ambassador in Berlin, has been instructed to close the Embassy and all Consulates, thus completely interrupting relations.
Spain takes charge of American interests.

American Steamer Sunk.

London, February 3.
The American steamer Housatonic has been sunk.

U.S. Military Preparations.

Washington, February 3.
President Wilson's step came like a thunderclap on Washington. A Bill was promptly introduced into the House of Representatives for the issue of \$300,000,000 in Treasury notes to complete the military preparations.
Precautions are being taken to stamp out possible pro-German rioting.
All the prominent Parliamentarians have announced that they will support President Wilson.

New York Bellegged.

New York, February 3.
The banks and offices are bellegged. Crowds rushed to buy the papers and fought at the approach to the bulletin boards.

Canadian Excitement.

Montreal, February 3.
There is the most intense excitement here. The streets are packed with people cheering President Wilson.

A Historic Sitting.

Washington, February 4.
President Wilson, at a historic sitting of Congress this afternoon, explained the reasons for his decision. His utterances were loudly cheered, especially when he declared he would ask Congress to provide means to safeguard American lives and property.

Later.

There was an unusual attendance of diplomats to hear President Wilson, including practically all the South Americans.

The gravity of the occasion was emphasised by the presence of the Justices of the Supreme Court, members of the Cabinet and high officials.

President Wilson's entry was cheered and marked by handclapping. There was tense silence when President Wilson, with face set and no suggestion of a smile, bowed and began to read his address very slowly.

Applause greeted the announcement of the severance of relations with Germany, and it was renewed when the President declared it impossible to believe that Germany would disregard her obligations and destroy American ships and lives.

Congress rose and cheered at the conclusion of the address and remained standing while the President left the Chamber.

Will Other Neutrals Follow Suit?

Washington, February 4.
President Wilson, in his speech in Congress, stated that he took it for granted that all neutrals would follow the example of the United States in severing diplomatic relations with Germany.

A German Concession.

London, February 4.
A German official statement announces an alteration in the blockade of England, allowing neutrals a channel twenty kilometres west of the Danish coast, between the British and German danger zones.

THE PLOT ON MR. LLOYD-GEORGE.

London, February 3.
An extraordinary story was told by the Attorney-General, who is prosecuting, at the resumption of the hearing at Derby of the charge brought against three women and one man of conspiring to murder Mr. Lloyd George and Mrs. Arthur Henderson.

The Attorney-General said the intention was to murder the Prime Minister and Mr. Henderson by means of poison contained in pills. These were sent from Southampton to Derby and handed by Mrs. Wheldon (mother of the other female prisoners) to a Government agent who had obtained her confidence. It was proposed to shoot poisoned darts at Mr. Lloyd George at Walton Heath.

The Attorney-General said the prisoners were desperate and dangerous people, shelterers of fugitives from the Army, and doing their best to injure Britain in the war. Mrs. Wheldon's son William was a conscientious objector and was at present under arrest, while Mary was an expert in poisons. He described how two Government agents obtained the confidence of Mrs. Wheldon by one of them representing himself to be a fugitive from the Army and a member of the Independent Workers' Organisation. He related conversations regarding pills of poison, including the most subtle, vegetable poison, curare, which is alleged Mrs. Wheldon obtained from Mexico.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

THE WESTERN FRONT.

Good Work on British Front.

London, February 3.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We drove off raiding parties to the east of Bouchemme and in the neighbourhood of Arras.

Our artillery caused the retiring enemy considerable losses.

We improved our positions on Beaumont Hamel Ridge and entered the line to the south of Armentieres making prisoners of a few of the enemy.

In the course of air fights two German aeroplanes were destroyed and two were driven down damaged. Three of ours are missing.

Two German Aeroplanes Felled.

Paris, February 4.
It is officially announced that there was an intermittent cannonade at various points.
Two German aeroplanes were felled in our line.

ACTIVITY ON RUSSIAN FRONT.

London, February 4.
A Russian official wireless message says:—After violent gun fire the Germans attacked eastward of the Kalosom high road and succeeded in pushing back our troops on our right flank.

Our counter-attack restored our positions with the assistance of armoured motor-cars which approached up to the first line.

BIG FIRE AT ARCHANGEL.

London, February 3.
A Russian communique announces that an explosion was followed by a fire on a wharf at Archangel on January 28th. Various buildings and depots were damaged and 344 persons were injured, including three officers and 99 soldiers. It is feared that 300 were killed.
Everything is now restored and working as usual.

PROTECTING MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

London, February 3.
Extraordinary precautions will be taken at Mr. Lloyd George's meeting at Carnarvon to-morrow. No women, with very few exceptions, will be admitted; only local electors will receive tickets on the strictest guarantees.

LOCAL SPORT.

(Continued from Page 5.)

FOOTBALL.

Staff and Depts. v. South China Athletic.

There was a large crowd present to watch this important Second Division match at Happy Valley on Saturday, both teams being well in the running for the championship of the junior division. By their failure to take both points from the somewhat lowly-placed Lusitano club on the previous Saturday, Staff and Depts. Sadly disappointed their admirers, and a victory over the Athletic was absolutely necessary if they were to retain any hope of winning the shield. A keen game was expected, and neutral linesmen were introduced. Mr. M. Gordon Banks was the referee.

Athletic won the throw, and immediately got away on the right, but Lawrence was safe. He left back for the Staff, and from his powerful punt they had a chance, but deflected too long with the ball, and was robbed by Fung Tai. The Athletic forwards at length got going, some good combined work taking the ball down into the Staff goalmouth, for Davies to be beaten at close range. From the centre, kick Steele and Darricott went through, but, try as they would, the soldiers could make no impression on the stone wall defence of the Athletic. Tang Tai at left back being easily the best defender on the field, his clean, powerful kicking being much admired. Steele forced a fruitless corner, but the Athletic were soon back again, and after a bad mistake by Lawrence, the Athletic notched number two. Steele deliberately handled the ball, but it passed into the net. Excitement now ran high, and some feeling was introduced into the game. Staff appearing to lose their heads entirely. A general caution staidied the players, and half-time arrived without further incident, with Athletic leading by two clear goals.

Staff re-organised their attack on the change of ends, Davies (who had been playing in goal) coming up in his usual position among the forwards. The change was almost immediately successful, Davies scoring a good goal. Staff leading play by Steele.

The Athletic were now almost entirely on the defensive, a grueling first half having its effect on the attack, which was seldom in the picture. Davies broke through again, but was stopped by Fung Ping. Steele secured, and gave May a rare chance, but the winger fired wildly over the bar, with only the goalies to beat. Staff still dominated the play, Darricott having cruel luck, his hard drive being stopped halfway over the goal-line—a lucky escape, for Athletic. The play again became rough, and Fung Ping was cautioned for bringing Davies down. May forced a corner, but the ball was cleared, the Athletic going away on the right, for offside to end the movement. Staff pressed hard for the equaliser, the Athletic finding touch on numerous occasions. Wood was hurt but resumed, the final whistle going soon afterwards with Athletic leading by the odd goal in three. By their defeat, the Staff practically lose all chance of winning the Second Division championship, being now three points behind the leaders. Athletic are still in the running and much will depend on their meeting with D. Company K.S.L.I., who now head the table.

"CROSSBAR."

Club v. R. G. A.
Keen disappointment was caused at Happy Valley on Saturday in the Club v. R. G. A. match because of the very poor play. Besides the fact that the Club were ill-represented, the R. G. A., although having a full complement of players, also had some amongst them who had more than a mere matter of how to play the game. Of the two sets, the Club forwards were by far the better, but they were not strong enough to bring the play to any interesting issue. The soldiers' custodian was early called upon to deal with the leather which had wandered, more by luck than good management, into the goal area, and he was successful in throwing it out. There was a lot of wild shooting when anything like a chance occurred to get near the goal mouth, and the goalkeeper's attempt, though he did all that was necessary, were very chancy. In fact, it seemed as if any for both teams, although it must not be forgotten that the Club were some regular players short. No goals were scored in the first half. When play resumed, the Club forwards went on with a bit of a push, and the R. G. A. Club leading play by Steele.

of, but nothing came of it. The Club would not have scored nearly so well had it not been for that indefatigable player, Steele, who, when there was any break in the defence, could be counted upon to be at the bottom of it. When things were looking very dead indeed, Steele got in a goal, but he was helped by Robinson in the effort. The result of the game was very tame, and the Club won by one goal to nil.

Navy V. R. E.

Seldom has a team been so soundly trounced as was the Navy in their match with the Royal Engineers on Saturday at Happy Valley. The sailors were not fully represented, and there was another handicap in the way of Hopper not taking part in the whole of the second half. White soon got away with the ball and shot, across to Townsend, who found the net, and before long this player again got away with the ball and added two more, doing the "hat trick." White scored the fourth and fifth, and Townsend, who could not be held back, got away and added the sixth. The sailors played a poor game.

Hopper, it seemed, did not make much difference to his team, for the soldiers scored another goal in the second half, Pearce netting after a good run. As before, the soldiers monopolised nearly the whole of the play. The game ended with the soldiers winning by seven goals to nil.

Other Matches.

Kowloon, in their second division match with the Navy Reserves on Saturday, played very well indeed and had another success. Pearce put the Kowloonites ahead with one goal before the interval arrived, and in the second half his brother notched another point. The Navy scored a point later, one of the Kowloon defenders putting through his own goal. Result:—Kowloon, 2; Navy Reserves, 1.

That was an interesting match between the 83rd Co. R.G.A. and the Lusitano Club, which was played on the Club ground on Saturday. During the first half, the only goal that was scored was due to one of the Lusitano backs, putting through his own goal, and in the second half, Bird, for the soldiers, added one more. Result:—R.G.A., 2; Lusitano, 0.

RIFLE LEAGUE.

Volunteers v. Navy.

The Volunteer Reserves scored another victory, on Saturday, when, at Stonecutters, they defeated a naval team by 15 points. Details:

H.K.V.C.

	200	500	600	Total
Pte. A. Jenkins	33	34	34	101
Op. J. Lyon	29	30	34	93
Pte. McLennan	33	30	30	93
O.P. M.S. Mackay	27	31	31	89
Op. Carmichael	27	31	29	87
Sgt. Leach	28	29	27	84
Lt. Thornhill	28	31	25	84
O.P. M.S. Tolson	34	21	29	80
Total	235	237	239	711

Less deduction of 4 per cent for Aperture
Sights

Not 686

Naval Team.

	200	500	600	Total
G.P.O. Ores	31	33	34	98
Pte. Kelly	33	33	32	98
R.M.L.I.	29	30	32	90
Lt. Sig. Boddy	29	30	32	90
O.P.O. Smith	29	32	28	89
P.O. Leach	25	28	23	76
P.O. Edwards	27	25	22	74
Sgt. Watling	25	25	23	73
R.M.L.I.	25	25	23	73
Sgt. House	28	26	21	75
Total	224	232	215	671

Open sights.

Snatcher Sentenced.

A Chinese, charged with snatching a purse containing \$5 from a passenger on a train car, was sentenced by Mr. C. D. McLeod, sitting at the Police Court this morning, to three months' hard labour and a fine of \$100.

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

LARGE SUBSCRIPTIONS TO WAR LOAN.

London, February 2.

Sir John Ellerman and the Ellerman Lines have taken £2,150,000; and the Liverpool Cotton Association £200,000 in the War Loan.

LATEST SINKINGS.

London, February 2.

The steamers Treven, Dundee (British) and Euphrates (Belgian), and six British small craft have been sunk.

London, February 3.

Three British, four Norwegian and one Spanish steamer were sunk yesterday.

London, February 3.

The French Ministry of Marine announces that the transport Admiral Magon, while conveying 900 troops to Salonika, was torpedoed on 25th January, and that 600 lives were saved.

THE DEATH OF LORD CROMER.

Cairo, February 2.

The death of Lord Cromer has created a profound impression here. The newspapers eulogise him as "the greatest figure in recent Egyptian history." Flags were flown at half-mast everywhere.

KAISER PROPOSED FOR PEACE PRIZE.

Amsterdam, February 2.

The Stambol University proposes that the Kaiser should be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

ATTACK ON SALONICA DISCUSSED.

Athens, February 2.

It is reported from Sofia that General Falkenhayn is preparing over a war council discussing the expediency of attacking Salonika.

RELIEVING THE GREEK BLOCKADE.

London, February 2.

The Allies are temporarily arranging to mitigate the blockade so as to relieve the poorer Greeks, in view of the fact that most of the demands have been carried out.

WILL HOLLAND BE DRAWN INTO WAR?

Amsterdam, February 2.

The "Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant," is of opinion that the prospects of Holland being drawn into the war have considerably increased.

THE NEW CRISIS.

Washington, February 2.

It is believed that the scuttling of the Liebenfels was due to the German Admiralty ordering the destruction of interned German merchantmen if war appeared imminent.

Amsterdam, February 2.

The "Handelsblad" states that Germany offered to Holland for the Flushing route the same concessions as she offered to the United States for passenger steamers not carrying contraband.

Negotiations are in progress in regard to the regular Dutch services to the Dutch Colonies.

New York, February 2.

The whole country is aflame with anger at the German Note, surpassing the excitement at the time of the sinking of the Lusitania.

The newspapers, with hardly an exception, demand that Germany's insult be thrown back in her face. Even the mildest pacifist organs only deprecate rashness and urge waiting until the first concrete case of atrocity occurs.

The temporary closing of New York harbour was followed by a rumour of an attempt by the Germans to scuttle the interned liners in order to prevent their seizure.

It is understood that Germany has from 300 to 500 submarines; they will be divided into sections for blockading purposes.

The Germans at Washington boast that not a single ship will escape.

Paris, February 2.

In the Senate the Minister of Marine declared that the Germans were unable to make worse their past "frivolousness." "We shall remain calm and without fear," he said. During the last eleven months 51,000,000 tons of shipping came to France. Less than a half per cent was submarined.

London, February 3.

Reuter learns that the opinion in British official quarters is that the German threat does not materially affect the situation, as the enemy has already done his worst. The Navy may safely be trusted to deal with the sea problems; and the handling now of the diplomatic situation should be left to neutrals, whose eyes are now definitely opened.

Washington, February 3.

At the conclusion of a 24 hours' Cabinet meeting, President Wilson hurried to the Capital to discuss the situation with the Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, who has to be consulted before any serious action is taken by the Cabinet.

It is ascertained that the Cabinet agreed to refuse to countenance German interference with American rights. The Customs collectors in all the Ports have been instructed to be most vigilant in enforcing the neutrality regulations.

London, February 3.

The "Daily Mail's" Washington correspondent says that Count Bernstorff, Germany's Ambassador to the United States, receives his passports on the 3rd instant.

Washington, February 3.

At the conclusion of a two hours' conference between the President and the Senators, one of the latter said that a diplomatic rupture with Germany was practically certain.

The majority of the Senators who conferred with President Wilson favoured an immediate rupture with Germany.

President Wilson, who did most of the talking, suggested a night's reflection before taking action.

The President subsequently conferred with other Senators.

After the Conference, a member of the Cabinet told a Pressman that the last chance had not gone yet, as Germany had not yet carried out her purpose "as far as we know."

TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the "Telegraph."]

THE NEW CRISIS.

Washington, February 3.

It is learned that at the Conference with President Wilson, Mr. Stone, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, and Senator Lewis expressed the opinion that an immediate breach with Germany was not justified assuming that she did not intend to interfere with Americans; but the first act against Americans should be the signal for a rupture.

Washington, February 3.

Official circles are convinced that the break with Germany is only a matter of time. Fifteen Senators discussed with the President three possibilities:

- 1—An immediate break
- 2—Delay until an overt act has been committed.
- 3—Send Germany a final warning.

The majority were of opinion that any other course than the first would be regarded by the world as an act of cowardice. The indications, however, are that the second course will be adopted.

Paris, February 3.

M. Laubeuf, the distinguished naval authority and submarine designer, declares that Germany cannot carry out her blockade. He predicts that in the next few weeks many German submarines will "disappear" and after that the situation will be the same as it was before February.

Paris, February 3.

Several French shipowners announce that their sailings will continue without interruption.

London, February 3.

America has severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

THE U.S. IMMIGRATION BILL.

Washington, February 2.

The House of Representatives has again passed the Immigration Bill (which the President recently vetoed, objecting to the literacy test.)

The literacy test consists of the ability of immigrants to read and write their own language.

TWO MORE V.C.'s.

London, February 2.

The Victoria Cross has been posthumously granted to Navy-Lieutenant H. O. B. Firman, Naval Volunteer Reserve, and C. H. Cowley for conspicuous gallantry in a night-time attempt to re-provision the force besieged at Kut-el-Amara in April, 1916. Both were killed on that occasion.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

Paris, February 3.

A French communique states that an enemy attack on a post in Belgium failed.

In the region of St. Mihiel our artillery carried out destructive fire against organisations in Apremont Forest.

Artillery actions continue, especially in the St. Rumold and Vardar zone, north of Monastir.

THE PREMIER'S CONFIDENCE.

London, February 3.

Mr. Lloyd George, at Criceth, received an ovation, and the town was beflagged.

Replying to an address of welcome, the Prime Minister said: "The burden on my shoulders is overwhelming, but I am confident that by our united efforts we shall succeed in confounding the devices of the wicked."

BRITISH SUCCESSES IN MESOPOTAMIA.

London, February 3.

An official report from Mesopotamia states:—We advanced 300 yards on the night of the 25th and 26th January on the right bank of the Tigris, east of the junction of the Tigris and the Hai; also from 200 to 300 yards west of the Tigris-Hai junction, on a 800 yards front.

Our casualties were slight.

Our cavalry raid on Wednesday secured large stocks and grain, and captured on Thursday the penultimate line of the Tigris-Hai junction on the right bank of the Hai.

We repulsed a counter-attack and took 150 prisoners.

We attacked and captured trenches west of the Tigris-Hai junction and killed a large number of the enemy.

We were subsequently compelled to relinquish a portion of the ground gained.

Our cavalry throughout the latter operations successfully operated westward of Kut-el-Amara.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE ON THE SITUATION.

London, February 2.

Mr. Lloyd George, addressing 5,000 of his constituents at Carnarvon, pleaded for a fair trial for the new Government which had already, "inter alia," saved hundreds of thousands of tons of shipping and arranged for the construction of hundreds and thousands of new tonnage.

He especially eulogised the Munitions Department, saying: "When the time comes the supply of shot and shell and guns of all calibres will be ample; there will even be a surplus for our Allies." (Cheers.)

The present muddle in the Balkans was due to improvidence, hesitation, and lack of imagination on the part of the Allies. They were jointly to blame, but the Balkans was the only theatre which was causing anxiety (cheers). Germany's latest seapolicy showed the Goliath and revealed it in all its nakedness to the most indulgent neutral. The German offer to allow America to send a steamer weekly to England was insolence almost amounting to insanity, but we could overcome the submarine menace by grit, energy and courage (cheers). The nation must support with money, labour, land and sacrifice (cheers).

There could be no peace without victory (cheers). We must demonstrate that the Prussians' Babel was a false God, that it could not protect itself, let alone the German people. Peace will come in 1917, if Germany knows by holding out till 1918 she will be worse off and not better. The Allies must organise all their resources and the Empire can and will do still more than at present. We must utilise far more than previously the Empire's great resources and with the object of seeing what can be done in that direction the first Imperial Cabinet will commence its sittings in a few weeks. (Cheers.)

It was unthinkable, Mr. Lloyd George continued, that the great German territories could be disposed of after the war without consulting the Dominions, since they have shed their blood acquiring them. It was unthinkable that this question should be settled without the Dominions sharing the responsibility of considering this issue as part of the settlement of the great world problem following world war (cheers).

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

S—SELLERS; SA—SALES;

B—BUYERS; N—NOMINAL.

OFFICIAL PRICES.

BANKS.

MARINE INSURANCES.

Cantons n. \$375

North Chinas n. t. 150

Unions n. \$300

Yangtzes n. ex 73 \$255

FIRE INSURANCES.

China Fires n. \$155

H. K. Fires n. \$375

SHIPPING.

Douglases n. \$116

Steamboats n. \$204

Indos (Def.) n. \$130

Indos (Pref.) n. \$143

Shells n. 105/-

Ferries b. \$53

REFINERIES.

Sugars n. \$126

Malabons ss. \$351

MINING.

Kailans n. 36/-

Langkats n. t. 20

Raubs n. \$2.40

Tronchs n. 31/6

Urals n. 32/3

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &C.

H. K. Wharves n. \$861

Kowloon Docks ss. \$126

Shai Docks s. t. 87

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.

Centrals n. \$98

H. K. Hotels s. \$112

Land Invest. n. \$213

H'phreys Est. ss. \$7

K'loon Lands s. \$35

Shai Lands n. t. 86

West Points s. \$74

COTTON MILLS.

Ewos n. t. 145

Kung Yiks n. t. 151

Shai Cottons n. t. 118

Yangtzeppos n. t. 54

MISCELLANEOUS.

Borneos n. \$8.00

China Light & P. b. \$4.50

Providents b. \$8.90

Dairy Farms n. \$254

Green Islands n. \$11.65

H. K. Electrics b. \$49

H. K. Ice Co., n. \$160

Ropes n. \$341

Steel Foundries n. \$934

Trams, Low Levels n. \$7.30

Trams, Peak, old n. \$10

Trams, Peak, new n. \$1

Laundries n. \$31

U. Waterboats b. x. d. \$154

Watsons b. \$62

Wm. Powells n. \$6

Morning Posts n. \$29

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T/T Singapore 100 1/4

T/T Japan 109 3/4

T/T India 171 3/4 Nom.

Demand, India 171 3/4 Nom.

T/T San Francisco 56

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T/T Java 135 3/4

T/T Marks Nom.

T/T France 327 1/2

Demand, Paris 327 1/2

BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C 2/5 1/16

4 m/s. D/P 2/5 3/16

6 m/s. L/C 2/5 5/16

30 d/s. Sydney & Melbourne 2/5 5/16

30 d/s. San Francisco 57 1/4

30 d/s. New York 57 1/4

4 m/s. Marks Nom.

4 m/s. France 3.39

6 m/s. France 3.44

Demand, Germany 56 1/4

Demand, New York 56 1/4

T/T Bombay 171 3/4 Nom.

T/T Calcutta 171 3/4 Nom.

Demand, Calcutta 112

Demand, Manila 100 1/4

Demand, Singapore 21 1/2 prem.

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PEAK TRAMWAYS CO. LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

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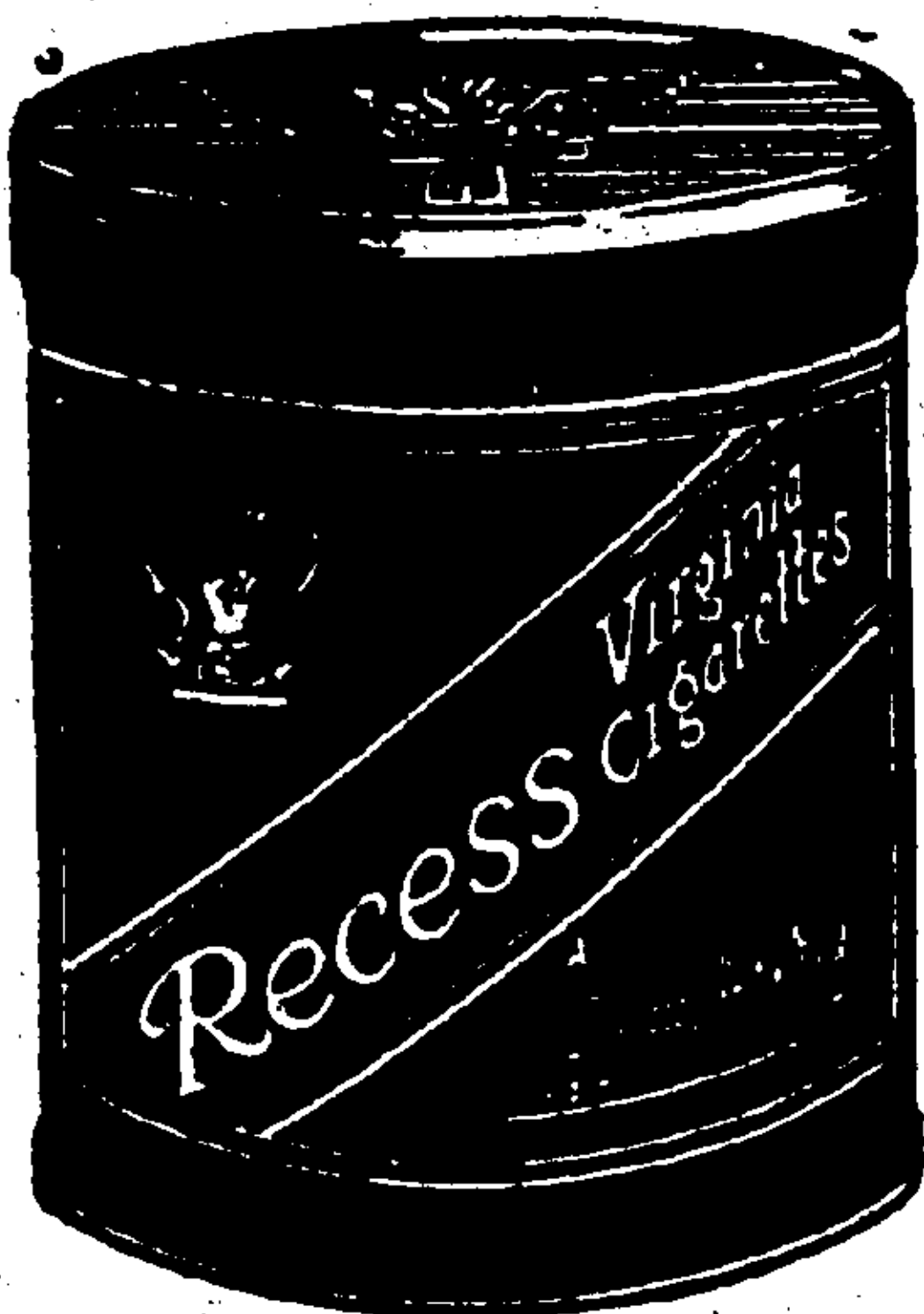
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More Challenges for Next Boxing Tournament.

Mr. Peplow, ss. Tean, on behalf of R. McIlvaine, heavy-weight champion of the Philippines, challenges Corporal Scott, heavy-weight champion of Hongkong, to a contest, any number of rounds, for the Heavyweight Championship of the Orient.

On behalf of "Battling" Sweeney, welter weight champion of the Philippines, Mr. Peplow challenges any welter or middle weight of Hongkong to a contest for the Welter weight or Middleweight Championship of the Far East. P.O. Paddy Finn preferred. Peplow himself challenges Private Plimmer, K.S.L.L. to a contest for the Bantamweight Championship of Hongkong. Early answers will oblige.

WAR COMFORTS.

The Ladies Working party at Union Church have just sent a case to the 21st General Hospital, Alexandria, containing the following:—508 rolled bandages, 43 stamp bandages, 17 yds bandages, 22 milk covers, 19 suits of pyjamas, 10 bed jackets, 19 pairs of surgical stockings, 13 hospital caps, 2 doz handkerchiefs and 18 floor swabs; also a case to the Argyle and St. Erland Highlanders containing:—102 pairs of socks, 63 shirts, 63 handkerchiefs, 29 mufflers, 25 pairs of knee caps, 11 pairs of mittens, 2 Balaclava helmets.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. O. Jenkin, D.S.P. (Reserve), state:—

Recruits.

All recruits in possession of Uniform will attend the Inspection. Uniform, caps and covers, but without rifles. They will parade under the Sergeant Major at Central Station at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday, February 7 and 9.

Anniversary.

The Superintendents and Inspectors of the Police Reserve invite all ranks and their lady friends to be present at a Variety Entertainment to be held at the Theatre Royal on Saturday, February 10, at 8 p.m. The arrangements are in the hands of St. F. Inspector Wildin and P.O. 659 Grimbale.

A certain number of tickets will be issued to each unit. Unit Commanders will report the estimated number of tickets required at the conclusion of the Company parades on February 6.

TWO SMALL FIRES.

On Saturday, a fire broke out at 5, Shelley Street, doing damage estimated at \$200. A quantity of matting and wood was destroyed, the overheating of a chimney being responsible for the fire.

Early this morning, the Fire Brigade received a call to 28, Praya, Kennedy Town, where they found a quantity of firewood and matting burning on a verandah. The conflagration was soon extinguished, and hardly any damage was done.

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TUESDAY, the 6th day of February, 1917, at 3 o'clock p.m.

By MR. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer, at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

The Property consists of:—All that piece or parcel of ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as MARINE LOT NO. 25. Together with the messuages and premises thereon—known as Nos. 6 and 7 Praya East and Nos. 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58 and 60 Queen's Road, East Victoria aforesaid.

The said premises are held for the term of 999 years from the 9th day of July 1844 created therein by a Crown Lease of the said Lot dated the 14th day of July 1882 and made between Her late Majesty Queen Victoria of the one part and Lee Yune Wa of the other part subject to the payment of the Crown Rent and to the observance and performance of the Lease's covenants and conditions therein reserved and contained.

Area 27,500 square feet or thereabouts. Annual Crown Rent \$484.84.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to DENNIS & BOWLEY, 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, Solicitors for the Vendor, or to

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

GEO. P. LAMMERT.

AUCTIONEER, SHARE & GENERAL BROKER.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Liquidator to sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 7th February, 1917,

commencing at 11 a.m. at Messrs. Jensen & Co.'s offices, Queen's Road Central.

A Quantity of Office Furniture comprising:—

Teak desks and writing tables, chairs, cupboards, showcases, copying presses, clocks, electric fans and lamps, etc., etc.

Also

4 Steel Safes.

8 Typewriters (Underwood and others).

1 Duplicator.

On view from Tuesday, the 6th February.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

WEDNESDAY, the 7th February, 1917,

commencing at 2.30 p.m. at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

Comprising:—

Teak hallstand, writing tables, teak bookcases, blackwood overmantel, jardiniere & stools, engravings ornaments, carpets, etc., etc.

Teak extension dining table, teak sideboard with bevelled mirrors, dinner wagon, ice chest, dinner service, glassware, etc., etc.

Double brass and brass mounted iron bedsteads, teak single and double wardrobes with glass doors, teak dressing tables, marble top washstands, toilet crockery, Shanghai baths, etc., etc.

Also

1 Cottage Piano by Weidenlauffer

1 Grand Piano by Steinway & Sons.

And

A Consignment of Household Linen comprising Dismark table cloths, napkins, sheets and bath towels, cotton lace, pillow cases, cushion covers, white lace curtains, etc., etc.

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POST-OFFICE.

Particulars of outgoing and the mailing will not be advertised in future. The Post Office will forward all correspondence posted by the fastest routes.

Correspondence addressed to enemy subjects in China, East Africa and Madagascar cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS OUTWARD.

Tai O.—Week days, 5 p.m.

Tai Po.—Week days, 10 a.m.; Sundays, 1.30 p.m.

Cheung Chow.—Week days, 2 p.m.

Shantou, Shatin and Sheungshui.—Week days, 4 p.m.

Aberdeen, Aukau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung, Sze Tin and Stanley.—Week days, 4.30 p.m.

Canton, Samshui and Wuchow.—Week days, 7.20 a.m.; Registration 5 p.m.; Letters 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.

Macao.—Week days, 7.15 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.

Kowloon.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Except Saturdays; Sundays, 5 p.m.

Namoi and Samshui.—Week days, 5 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.

Shamshui.—Week days, 10 a.m.; 4 p.m.; Sundays, 9 a.m.

FROM SHEUNGWAN WESTERN BRANCH P.O.

Macao.—Week days, 7.50 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.; Sundays, 8.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.

Canton.—Week days, 7.30 a.m.; 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 8.30 a.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.

Tai Ping Tong.—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sundays, 8.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.

Shak K.—Week days, 6.30 p.m.; Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 6.30 p.m.

Kowloon.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

Kumchuk.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

Kaukung.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Except Saturdays; Sundays, 5 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Kiuhing, Br., ss. 1,223, Peacock, 3rd Feb.—Hongkong, 1st Feb., Coal—B. & C.

Otowa M. Jap., ss. 1,777, Nomura, 3rd Feb.—Kaukung, 31st Jan., Coal—O. G. & S.

Hatching, Br., ss. 1,187, Pansco, 4th Feb.—Fuchow, 3rd Feb., Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Kwongkong, Br., ss. 1,428, Richard, 4th Feb.—Swatow, 3rd Feb., Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Shantou, Br., ss. 1,224, Mearhead, 4th Feb.—Amoy, 3rd Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Toyoaka M. Jap., ss. 3,900, Shiohomiya, 4th Feb.—Shanghai, 1st Feb., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Honyong, Br., ss. 2,555, Mason, 4th Feb.—Singapore, 29th Jan., Gen.—Chinese.

Hokow, Br., ss. 867, Ritchie, 5th Feb.—Swatow, 4th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Huichow, Br., ss. 1,243, Hooker, 5th Feb.—Hohow, 4th Feb., Gen.—B. & S.

Phanpau, Br., ss. 1,065, Spink, 5th Feb.—Sailan, 31st Jan., Rice—Chinese.

Wollow, Br., ss. 1,477, Pritchard, 5th Feb.—Sailan, 31st Jan., Rice—E. H. Ray.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per ss. HAICHING, from Foochow, on Feb. 4.

Cole Mr. & Mrs. G. Lawson Dr. d'Oliveira A.M. Nagel S.A.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE.

Just arrived, Fresh assorted American—Sweets & Fry's Chocolates.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 5th at 11.30—Pressure has increased moderately over Japan, and slightly from the Loochoo to the Philippines. It has decreased slightly over K. and S.W. China.

The anticyclone remains stationary over China.

Fresh monsoon is indicated along the coast of China, and over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 6.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.34 inches, against an average of 1.77 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

Detailed Forecast.

1 Hongkong to Gap Rock.—N.E. winds, strong to fresh; S.W. winds, strong.

2 Formosa Channel.—N.E. winds, strong.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Loochoo.—S.W. winds, strong.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan.—S.W. winds, strong.

China Coast Meteorological Register, February 5, a.m.

Station. Hour. Barometer. Temperature. Humidity. Wind. Force. Weather.

Victoria 6a 30.13 11 n 70

Memuro 5a 29.89 n 100

Hakodate 5a 29.83 n 100

Tokio 5a 29.87 n 100

Kobe 5a 30.15 n 100

Yokohama 5a 30.13 n 100

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ENTERTAINMENTS.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

TUESDAY, 6th FEBRUARY, 1917.

The Magnificent Photo Play:

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